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Solutions for Diversion Monitoring and Tracking

As part of a Joint Commission requirement in section (MM 08.01.01), health system organizations should consider a plan to evaluate their medication management system through risk point assessment. A well-developed and robust procedure for random sampling and testing of wasted narcotics is critical in preventing diversion of controlled substances.

The procedure for random testing of waste should include all high-risk, high-volume areas, such as pharmacy sterile products preparation, anesthesia administration, surgery, etc.

Waste is generally considered as: products expiring, products prepared for, but not administered to the patients, drug product remaining after removing a partial dose from packaged unit, and container overflow.

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